Responsive to the Requirement for Restriction, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, Claims 1-23, which are drawn to a method of immunizing a host against heterologous HIV-1 through the administration of a modified HIV-1 Env, without traverse.

No fees are believed to be necessitated by the foregoing Response. However, should this be erroneous, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account No. 11-1153 for any underpayment, or credit any overages.

In view of the above, an early action on the merits of the Claims is courteously solicited.

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